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Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Address to: MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	Application Number	09/518,709
	Filing Date	March 3, 2000
	First Named Inventor	Takahisa Yamaha
	Art Unit	2815
	Examiner Name	E. Ortiz
	Attorney Docket No.	T2171.0180/P180

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.
Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. _____

i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

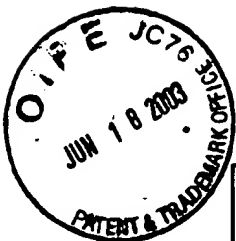
iii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed

c. ☒ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Signature	<i>Edward A. Meilman</i>	Date	June 17, 2003

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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003 <small>Effective 01/01/2003, Patent fees are subject to annual revision.</small>		Complete if Known	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Application Number	09/518,709
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)		Filing Date	March 3, 2000
750.00		First Named Inventor	Takahisa Yamaha
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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)		FEE CALCULATION (continued)	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Deposit Account		Large Entity Small Entity	
Deposit Account Number 50-2215		Fee Code Fee (\$)	
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The Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)		1051 130 2051 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee to the above-identified deposit account.		1812 2,520 1812 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
FEE CALCULATION		1804 920* 1804 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1. BASIC FILING FEE		1805 1,840* 1805 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
Large Entity Small Entity		1251 110 2251 55 Extension for reply within first month	
Fee Code Fee (\$)		1252 410 2252 205 Extension for reply within second month	
1001 750 2001 375 Utility filing fee		1253 930 2253 465 Extension for reply within third month	
1002 330 2002 165 Design filing fee		1254 1,450 2254 725 Extension for reply within fourth month	
1003 520 2003 260 Plant filing fee		1255 1,970 2255 985 Extension for reply within fifth month	
1004 750 2004 375 Reissue filing fee		1401 320 2401 160 Notice of Appeal	
1005 160 2005 80 Provisional filing fee		1402 320 2402 160 Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)		1403 280 2403 140 Request for oral hearing	
0.00		1451 1,510 1451 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE		1452 110 2452 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable	
Total Claims 15 -20** =		1453 1,300 2453 650 Petition to revive - unintentional	
Independent Claims 2 -3** =		1501 1,300 2501 650 Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
Multiple Dependent		1502 470 2502 235 Design issue fee	
Large Entity Small Entity		1503 630 2503 315 Plant issue fee	
Fee Code Fee (\$)		1460 130 1460 130 Petitions to the Commissioner	
1202 18 2202 9 Claims in excess of 20		1807 50 1807 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1201 84 2201 42 Independent claims in excess of 3		1806 180 1806 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
1203 280 2203 140 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid		8021 40 8021 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1204 84 2204 42 ** Reissue independent claims over original patent		1809 750 2809 375 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1205 18 2205 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent		1810 750 2810 375 For each additional invention to be examined (37CFR 1.129(b))	
SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)		1801 750 2801 375 Request for Continued Examination (RCE) 750.00	
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